2017-18 Cost of Living Estimates



	Single Adult		Two Adults, One Child*	
Item	Monthly	Annually	Monthly	Annually
Housing	\$900 - \$1,200 (one bedroom)	\$10,800 - \$14,400	\$1,400 - \$2,000 (3-bedroom house)	\$16,800 - \$24,000
Utilities	\$240 - \$450	\$2,880 - \$5,400	\$240 - \$450	\$2,880 - \$5,400
Internet & mobile phone	\$170	\$2,040	\$240	\$2,880
Food	\$200 - \$300	\$2,400 - \$3,600	\$550 - \$650	\$6,600 - \$7,800
Clothing	-	\$500 + \$200 for winter clothing	-	\$1,500 + \$600 for winter clothing
Transportation (Bus)	Included in student fees (U-Pass program)	Included in student fees (U-Pass program)	\$95 for the second adult + \$70 for the child	\$1,140 for the second adult + \$840 for the child
Educational Supplies**	-	\$1,600	-	\$1,600
Child Care and School Fees	-	-	\$1,000	\$12,000
Recreation	\$75	\$900	\$200	\$2,400
Total	\$1,585 - \$2,195	\$21,320 - \$28,640	\$3,795 - \$4,705	\$49,240 - \$60,160

* One graduate student, one additional adult, and one child under 12 years of age in full-time child care.

** Not included in graduate tuition and mandatory fees.

All cost estimates are in Canadian dollars (CAD).

Please note that the costs above are estimates only. The amounts are based on sources from 2016-2017 and are intended to serve only as a general guideline. Actual costs will vary according to many factors such as personal preference, household type, vendor, and more. For precise cost information, please contact vendors (e.g. landlords, mobile companies, bookstores, etc.) directly to confirm pricing.

Housing & Utilities	Cost estimate (Monthly)	Source
One bedroom rental condo/apartment (university area, downtown, southwest and northeast areas)	\$900 - \$1,200	Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation – Edmonton Rental Market Report 2016 Table 3.1.2 (<u>link</u>)
Three bedroom house (Edmonton- wide average)	\$1,400 - \$2,000	Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation – Edmonton Rental Market Report 2016 Table 5.1. (link)
Utilities (Electricity, Heat, Water, Garbage Services)	\$240 -\$450	Edmonton Social Planning Council Report – Calculating Edmonton's Living Wage - 2017 (<u>link</u>)
Communications (Internet & Cable Television)	\$100	Edmonton Social Planning Council Report – Calculating Edmonton's Living Wage - 2017 (link)
Mobile phone plan for local and national calls and data	\$70	Edmonton Social Planning Council Report – Calculating Edmonton's Living Wage - 2017 (link)

Item	Single Adult (monthly)	Additional Adult (monthly)	Each child over 6 years old (monthly)	Source
Food / Groceries	\$200-\$300	\$200-\$300	\$200-\$300	Based on average Alberta household expenditure (link)
Transportation (Bus)	Students enrolled in credit courses taking place in the Edmonton campus are eligible to receive a transit pass for each term of enrollment.	\$94.25	\$71	City of Edmonton Transit Services – Fares (<u>link</u>)

Item	Single Child (Full-time monthly)	Single Child (Part-time monthly)*	Source
Child Care	\$950	\$550	Living in Alberta – Health Edition (link)
Child School Fees	\$20	n/a	Edmonton Social Planning Council
(Field Trips, School			Report – Calculating Edmonton's
Supplies)			Living Wage - 2017 (<u>link</u>)

*Costs will vary depending on age of child, location, and institution's license category

Clothing	Single Adult	Single Child	Source
Winter items	1 adult Winter coat: \$100 1 adult Winter boots: \$70 1 adult Winter accessories: \$30	1 adult Winter coat: \$100 1 adult Winter boots: \$70 1 adult Winter accessories: \$30	Based on estimated in-store prices from Edmonton retail stores; dependent on needs, preferences, and shopping location.
Other clothes	\$500	\$500	

Item	Per Person	Source
Educational supplies for University	\$1,600 per academic year	Based on estimated U of A Bookstore prices;
(textbooks, stationery, etc.)	(varies by program)	not included in graduate tuition and fees.